

# Health Disparities Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 23, 2008

9:30 – noon

Location: AZ Department of Health Services, 150 Bldg, Room 300B

Conference Call-in number 602-542-9006

Attendees: Kenton Laffoon, Naomi Lane, Zeenat Mahal, Norm Peterson, Nate Smith, Tim Flood, Jana Granillo, Jessica Han, Marc Leib, Cynthia Claus, Michael Trujillo, Victor Carrasco, Olivia Garcia, Sherry Williams

Apologies: Kendra Sabol, Patti King

Agenda Items	Discussion	Follow-up Items
Review 10/24/2007 Minutes	Minutes from the 10/24/07 meeting were not available for review.	Send out prior to next meeting
Introduction	Introductions were made. All new and existing committee members welcomed by Co-chair Sharon Jaycox	
Matrix	<p>Dr. Flood provided an explanation on the purpose of the Cancer Matrix. The produced document looks at rates of cancer count in a community. He informed the committee that he had completed the document for four race/ethnic groups. Hispanic, African American, Native American, and Asian.</p> <p>The Matrix contains information that is relevant to the specific racial populations and leaves room for the communities to express what is important to them or areas they think need to be covered in the Matrix. An example of this was The African American Matrix for which additional information about Prostate Cancer was added at the request of community Leaders.</p> <p>Committee discussed ways of disseminating information. Need to determine who to get the matrix to so that they can decide method of disseminating the information to their communities. Also need to have the communities decide their priorities. Dr. Flood stressed community involvement is critical to deliver the information. The ideas is for leaders to sit down with the community, look at the information and come up with campaign on how to address the issue.</p> <p>Committee discussed training, conferences, getting grass root organizations involved. Involving healthcare organizations, professionals, and insurance providers. Marc Leib said that AHCCS may be able to help get information out to eligible populations.</p> <p>All agree it is a mistake to say here is the guide now go and do something with the information. Providing resource information and follow-up is crucial. Sherry Williams stated regardless of campaigns or even planned training or conferences it is important for us to have backup resources available such as resources that will allow people to go to a doctor.</p> <p>Victor Carrasco added that his organization, The Leukemia &amp; Lymphoma Society</p>	

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	<p>may be able to help with the packaging and they may also have other resource the committee could utilize to help get the information out.</p> <p>Committee focused on describing who the community is. Need to determine who are the leaders first for each racial/ethnic groups.</p> <p>Cynthia Claus suggested having the 7 tribes she is associated with review the Native American Matrix.</p>	<p>Jana Granillo volunteered to spear head sub-committee to identify leaders.</p> <p>Tim Flood to get the matrix to Cynthia</p>
	<p>Committee discussed ways they could provide technical assistance to the communities once they do receive the information.</p>	<p>Sharon Jaycox to check with Kendra to see if committee can utilize the U of A evaluation team to help the communities with prioritization.</p>
Focus Group	<p>Sharon Jaycox, Tim Flood, and Jessica Han scheduled to meet with the African American community leaders to go over completed matrix.</p>	<p>Sharon Jaycox and Tim Flood to provide follow-up on meeting with the community leaders.</p>
Next Meeting Date	<p>Wednesday February 27, 2008. 9:30 am</p>	<p>Location TBD</p>